

**WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2012**

The work session meeting was held at the Central Library Auditorium at 801 W. Irving Boulevard- Irving, Texas 75060.

The Irving City Council met in work session September 26, 2012 at approximately 9:05 a.m. The following members were present/absent:

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Beth Van Duyne	Irving City Council	Mayor	Present	
Gerald Farris	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rose Cannaday	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Thomas Spink	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Roy Santoscoy	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	11:40 AM
Mike Gallaway	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Dennis Webb	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Brad LaMorgese	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Joe Putnam	Irving City Council	Councilman	Absent	

DISCUSSION TOPIC

1 Review of Regular Agenda

Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, presented Walter Richie and Tom Dickens On-the-Spot Awards for their work during the mosquito spraying season and an On-the-Spot Award to David Davenport the Risk Management programs that have been put in place.

He also presented Exceptional Employees of the Year awards to Alvin Robertson, Jeff Sawyer, John Harvey, Lindsay Svadbik and Sylvia Leal-Nordeman to honor their above and beyond work.

1 Ordinance -- Adoption of the 2012-13 City of Irving Fiscal Year Budget

Bret Starr, Budget Administrator, presented an overview of the FY12-13 budget.

It was recommended that a one-time benefit payment of \$500 for retirees who have retired in 2011 or earlier be included in the FY 2012-13 budget. The estimated cost for this is \$425,000 and includes 849 retirees. It is also recommended that Council set aside \$425,000 in FY 2013 budget and ask the City Manager to develop an implementation plan for Council approval. It is the suggestion that the payment of this benefit be made to retirees by the end of this calendar year. It is the belief that this is good for the City, will help the recruitment of future employees and is fair and equitable. Councilman Spink indicated he spoke to the following Council members that are in favor of this: Webb, Gallaway, Spink, Farris, LaMorgese and Cannaday. This doesn't mean others are not in favor this is simply who has indicated they are in favor.

Staff indicated a COLA that exceeds the charter cap cannot be implemented.

Mayor Van Duyne asked that staff take all these suggestions and pull together some information, put a program in place and bring it back to Council for consideration.

- 2 Ordinance -- Setting the 2012 Tax Rate and Levying the Tax as Required by the State of Texas Property Tax Code

Bret Starr, Budget Administrator, confirmed staff's recommended tax rate for 2012 be set at \$0.5986.

- 4 City Operations Update

Casey Tate, Capital Improvements, provided an update on the flooding of the second floor of City Hall.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 13 Resolution -- Approving Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District (DCURD) Debt Refinancing in an Amount Not to Exceed \$40,000,000

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the debt refinancing proposed by DCURD and the requirement for Council to approve per the agreement with the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 (TIF No. 1).

- 14 Resolution -- Approving an Economic Incentive Agreement Between the City of Irving, Texas and CHRISTUS Health

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the incentive agreement with Christus Health.

- 15 Resolution -- Approving an Economic Incentive Agreement Between the City of Irving, Texas and Wells Reit II MacArthur Ridge I, LP

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the incentive agreement with Wells Reit II MacArthur Ridge I, LP, noting this is the property owner of the office building that will be used by Christus Health.

- 16 Resolution -- Approving an Economic Incentive Agreement Between the City of Irving, Texas and US Oncology Corporate, Inc.

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the incentive agreement with US Oncology Corporate, Inc.

- 17 Resolution -- Approving a Reimbursement Agreement Between the Tax

Increment Reinvestment Zone No. One and the Las Colinas Association

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the proposed reimbursement agreement approved by TIF No. 1 for the Sasaki property.

- 18 Resolution -- Approving Reimbursement of Hotel Occupancy Taxes (HOT) to United Parcel Service Co. (UPS)

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, confirmed that UPS met the requirements of the "permanent resident" definition and is due a reimbursement of hotel occupancy tax that was paid.

- 20 Resolution -- Approving an Agreement Between the City of Irving and the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce to Provide Annual Funding for Economic Development Services for the City of Irving, Texas

Chris Wallace, President of the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, outlined the annual agreement with the city, noting the reduction in cost from 2011 and that the Cowboys Suite was taken out of the contract. Additionally, the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has requested to be a separate entity no longer funded by the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber.

- 23 Resolution -- Formalizing the City's Energy Conservation Goals Pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code § 388.005, Authorizing the City Manager to File Annual Energy Consumption Goal Compliance Reports

Casey Tate, Capital Improvements, gave an overview of the City's energy conservation goals.

- 27 Ordinance -- Amending Ordinance No. 8872 by Approving a Schedule of Classified Personnel for the Police Department; Providing for a Severability Clause; Effective October 1, 2012

Larry Boyd, Police Chief, confirmed that this ordinance is needed to account for the new Resource Officer assigned to Lady Bird Johnson Middle School.

Council recessed at approximately 11:25 p.m.

Council reconvened at approximately 11:41 p.m.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 37 Resolution -- Adopting an Ethics Code and Policies for the City of Irving

It was the consensus of the Council to recommend postponement to the October 18, 2012 meeting.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

- 38 Resolution -- Approving Sign Variance Case No. S1206-0017 - to Allow a Pole Sign to Exceed the Maximum Height - Property Located at 1308 East Airport Freeway - McDonald's USA, LLC, Applicant -(Postponed at the September 6, 2012 City Council Meeting)

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, described the requested sign variance, noting staff recommends approval.

- 39 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC12-0023 - Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) for R-7.5 (Single Family) Uses - Approximately 0.82 Acres Located at 1129 North Irving Heights Drive - Loveta Bales - Applicant/Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- 40 Ordinance -- Zoning Case # ZC12-0040 - Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) for R-MF-2 (Multifamily) Uses - Approximately 9.8 Acres Located at 601 West Rochelle Boulevard - Daniels and Lovelady Architecture, Applicant - Courtyards of Roses, LP, Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- 41 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC12-0052 - Granting PUD (Planned Unit Development) for S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for R-AB (Restaurant with the Attendant Accessory Use of the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for On-Premise Consumption) - Approximately 5.515 Square Feet Located at 825 West Royal Lane, Suite 150 - Margarita Ranch Restaurant, Applicant

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS

- 42 Resolution -- Approving the Appointment of Members to the Green Advisory Board

Councilman Farris noted that several of the Green Advisory Committee members would like to be appointed to the formal Green Advisory Board. There are 15 places on the Board and 11 current members that would like to be

considered.

2 State Highway 183 Update

Bill Hale, TxDOT representative, gave an overview of the State Highway 183 construction. A PowerPoint handout is available in the City Secretary's Office.

3 Success Zone Program Results

Marianne Follis, Librarian, presented the leadership program available for children through library services and the recreation centers.

4 Parks and Recreation Summer Activity Results

Joseph Moses, Recreation Manager, presented the results for the various Parks & Recreation summer programs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session at today's meeting.

Council adjourned the work session at 12:32 p.m.

Beth Van Duyne, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, TRMC
City Secretary